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Press Release

REGIONAL CENTER OF THE EAST BAY WILL RECEIVE COMMENDATION

Regional Center of the East Bay to be honored for their continued work coordinating services for people with developmental disabilities

Oakland, CA – At their Tuesday, January 26th meeting, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors will recognize the Regional Center of the East Bay (RCEB) as it celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the Lanterman Act. This legislation that guarantees essential supportive services to people with developmental disabilities and their families. The Regional Center of the East Bay serves over 18,500 residents from Alameda and Contra Costa Counties and is the fifth largest regional center in California.

Due to the advocacy of people with developmental disabilities and their families, the Regional Center system was first created 50 years ago. The passage of the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act guaranteed that people with developmental disabilities have the right to receive services and support that enable them to live more independent and productive lives in their local communities. The RCEB serves adults and children with developmental disabilities, as well as individuals with a high risk of parenting a child with developmental disabilities. Regional Centers require sufficient funding to carry out their missions as mandated by the State of California.

Public investment in California Regional Centers is necessary in order to ensure quality service coordination to clients, to provide adequate provider reimbursement rates, to retain quality employees, and most importantly, to ensure the ongoing quality of care. The Board of Supervisors strongly supports the continued investment in and provision of services to people with developmental disabilities.

Board of Supervisors meetings are held at the County Administration Building (1221 Oak Street, 5th Floor, Oakland). The meeting will start at 11 a.m. If you wish to speak during public comment, please arrive at 10:30 a.m. and complete a speaker card.



**50 years of supporting people with
developmental disabilities in the community**